



Santa Monica Community College District
Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee
MEETING – JULY 21, 2004
MINUTES

A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee was held on Wednesday, July 21, 2004 at 8 a.m. at Santa Monica College, Business Building Room 111, 1900 Pico Boulevard. Santa Monica, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER – 8:03 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Linda Sullivan, Chair - Present
Paul Leoni, Vice-Chair - Present
Eleanore Meyer –Present
Ed Moosbrugger - Present
James Mount - Present
Herb Reich - Present
Herb Rose - Present
Bertrand Staggers - Present
Irma Vargas – Not Present
Pierce Watson - Present
Joe Weichman –Present
Allen Weiss – Present

Others Present: Piedad F. Robertson, Superintendent/President
Tom Donner, Executive Vice-President, Business/Administration
Marvin Martinez, Associate Vice-President, Planning/Development
John Jalili, Committee Advisor
Letty Kilian, Committee Staff Assistant
Lisa Rose, Committee Coordinator

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Paul Leoni and seconded by Pierce Watson to approve the minutes of April 21, 2004.

Herb Rose commented that it was noted in the minutes that he had requested a breakdown of costs for the Bundy site to be included on the agenda under “old business,” but it was not included on the agenda. Tom Donner responded that the Measure U Project List (which includes the Bundy Project) was not prepared because of a delay in receiving year-end closing statements. Herb Rose stated that he has requested the breakdown of costs on the Bundy site several times and feels the information he has received is not adequate. Consequently, Tom Donner and he agreed to meet in order to clarify the information being requested. The Measure U Project List will be provided at the October meeting.

Approval of Minutes: Unanimous

4. REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS, 2004-2006

Congratulations to the following members of the committee who were unanimously reappointed for another two-year term by the Board of Trustees on June 7, 2004:

Paul Leoni
Ed Moosbrugger
Jim Mount
Herb Reich
Herb Rose
Bertrand Staggers
Pierce Watson

It was requested that the following information be included in the minutes regarding the composition of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC):

Education Code Section 15282 states that the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee shall consist of at least seven members, comprised of the following:

- *Representative of business community*
- *Representative of senior citizens organization*
- *Member of a taxpayers' organization*
- *Currently enrolled student*
- *Member of college advisory board or foundation*

Currently, there are two vacancies that need to be filled: (1) SMC student and, (2) representative of a Taxpayers' Association. The District is accepting applications to fill these positions (application is enclosed) and recommendations will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval in time for the October CBOC meeting.

Election of officers for 2004-05 will be held at the October meeting after the vacancies are filled.

5. REPORTS and DISCUSSION

Draft of Annual Report, 2003-04

Motion was made by Joe Weichman and seconded by Pierce Watson to approve the Annual Report for 2003-04. Ed Moosbrugger suggested that the committee be provided the District's Audit Report related to the Measure U funds before approving the Annual Report which contains a statement of compliance. It was agreed that the appropriate portion of the Audit Report would be forwarded to the Committee. The motion was amended to defer approval of the Annual Report until the October meeting. Unanimously approved.

Measure U Timeline

Status of Projects

- Liberal Arts Replacement Building The increasing price of construction materials (steel, lumber, and concrete) and competing construction projects have delayed the awarding of the construction bid for the Liberal Arts Building. A fear factor on the part of the contractors is contributing to bids being 20 to 100 percent over estimates. The District will be going out to bid again for the Liberal Arts Building with the hope of starting construction by the end of the year. This is a complex project because there are multiple funding sources: the City of Santa Monica (Redevelopment Funds), State, FEMA and Measure U. Timing issues need to be coordinated with all agencies.
- The District will be interviewing for architects for the Student Services Building.

- Main Stage is progressing.
- Student Services Building: This project has an approximate 6-8 year lead time with the State of California.
- Science Complex: Assuming funds are available, this is the wing along Pearl (where the Liberal Arts building is) and will connect to the existing Science complex. The Math program will be housed here.
- The new Math complex and P.E. facilities are completed.

Proposed Bond Measure

A public opinion poll recently conducted indicates 65% positive support for a \$175 million bond measure on the ballot this November. A document is available (enclosed) that includes the list of projects to be considered by the Board of Trustees in August. Although this committee is not directly involved with the potential bond measure for November, it is important that the members understand what the District is considering.

Federal Appropriations Update

Presented by Marvin Martinez, Associate Vice-President, Planning and Development

In the Fall of 2002, Santa Monica College launched a campaign to pursue federal funds to support various facility developments throughout the campus. The past two years have proven to be worthwhile in understanding the appropriations process and developing relationships with our local members of the House and Senate. Given the fact that SMC is the "new kid on the block", the College has made much progress in acquiring new federal appropriations and is awaiting a response on additional appropriations from the Congress. 2004 is an election year. As a result, the Congress will delay decisions on a new budget for fiscal year 2005 as well as appropriations requested by the College.

6. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS, 2004-2005

Quarterly meetings are scheduled on the third Wednesday of the month at 8 a.m., in Business Building Room 111 (unless otherwise indicated):

October 20, 2004
 January 19, 2005
 April 20, 2005

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT: 9:35 a.m.

The next meeting of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee will be held on Wednesday, October 20, 2004 at 8 a.m. in Business Building Room 111, Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica.

The Agenda will include Old Business:

1. Election of Officers for 2004-05
2. Measure U Project list (end of year), including breakdown of costs for Bundy site
3. Review of District Audit Report (as it pertains to Measure U funds)
4. Approval of Annual Report, 2003-04